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In re Application of :
Dewitt C. Seward et al :
Application No. 09/834,040 : DECISION GRANTING PETITION
Filed: April 12, 2001 : UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b)
Attorney Docket No. 301493.1001-001 :

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed April 18, 2005, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

37 CFR 1.137(b)(3) requires a statement that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional. Since the statement contained in the instant petition varies from the language required by 37 CFR 1.137(b)(3), the statement contained in the instant petition is being construed as the statement required by 37 CFR 1.137(b)(3) and petitioner must notify the Office if this is **not** a correct interpretation of the statement contained in the instant petition.

The petition satisfies the conditions for revival pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.137(b) in that (1) the reply in the form of an amendment; (2) the petition fee; and (3) the required statement of unintentional delay have been received. Accordingly, the reply to the nonfinal Office action of April 20, 2004, is accepted as having been unintentionally delayed.

There is no indication that the person signing the instant petition was ever given a power of attorney or authorization of agent to prosecute the above-identified application. If the person signing the instant petition desires to receive future correspondence regarding this application, the appropriate power of attorney or authorization of agent must be submitted. While a

courtesy copy of this decision is being mailed to the person signing the instant petition, all future correspondence will be directed to the address currently of record until such time as appropriate instructions are received to the contrary.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3208.

This matter is being referred to Technology Center AU 2133.



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